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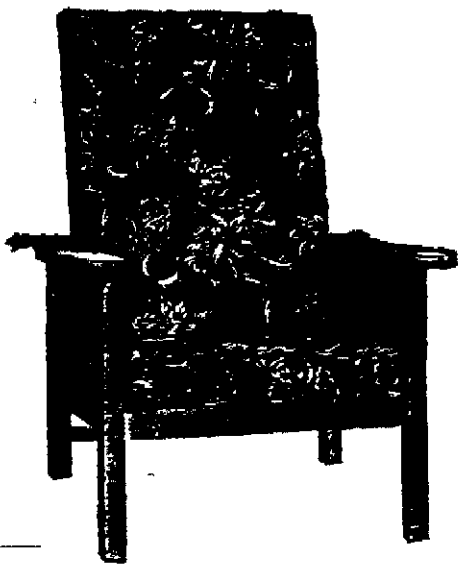
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PANIC STRICKEN.

Spaniards at Caimanera Are Preparing For Flight.

THE ARMY DEMORALIZED

Marines Hold Their Own Against Superior Numbers.

HOW SANTIAGO'S PORTS LOOK NOW

All Hazed but Morro, Where Hobson Is Confined—Admiral Sampson Visits Camp McCalla—Spanish Spy at Camp Merritt.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, June 20.—Cuban scouts report today that the inhabitants of Caimanera have strewn the streets with straw and oil with the intention of destroying the city and fleeing to the hills. Caimanera lies four miles up the bay from Camp McCalla, under the guns of the American ships, and the situation is desperate. A starving and famine stricken people, convinced of the ultimate triumph of the American arms and without faith in the protection of the Spanish soldiery, the people are believed to have determined to leave their houses in ashes behind them and seek safety in the mountains to the north. The scouts declare that the story is accurate and say that every building in the town is being rapidly prepared for the torch.

The situation of the besieged is a fearful one. The people are eating horses and mules and are scouring the hills for fruits and herbs. Occasionally brief bombardments by the American fleet leave the helpless citizens terror stricken, no preparations for defense being made.

It is also stated that the Spanish gunboat at Caimanera has been loaded with inflammables and will be burned with the city, her commander declaring that she will never become an American prize.

The scouts also say that the Spanish soldiers are in almost a complete state of panic as are the civilians and that they could easily be induced to surrender. Some of the prisoners taken by the marines also say they believe the Spanish troops are on the verge of surrendering owing to the awful lack of food. Captain McCalla of the cruiser Marblehead and Lieutenant Colonel Huntington, in command of the marines, are not so sure, however, of the reported Spanish rout. They received information Friday that a general attack by a force of 3,500 Spanish soldiers and guerrillas on Camp McCalla is contemplated. Every preparation was made Friday night for an expected assault.

The Iowa joined the fleet here Saturday morning, and later the admiral came over on the flagship to inspect the fortifications and confer with Captain McCalla and Lieutenant Colonel Huntington.

The coast in the vicinity of Guantánamo is dotted with the bright hued Cuban flag. Numerous camps of the insurgents which have been established along the beach between Santiago and this place are used by the admiral as a means of communication with the Cubans in the interior. The aid which these men have given has proved highly valuable to the Americans. Their stories of the destitution and revolt among the Spanish soldiery in this vicinity have been corroborated by interviews with prisoners captured around the camp.

General Perrejo, who is in command of the Spanish forces here, is undoubtedly in a bad way in regard to obtaining food for his men. The prisoners who have been captured appear to have been ill fed and are apparently indifferent to their fate.

Another body of five Spaniards was captured Friday by Ensign A. A. Pratt of the Marblehead. While cruising in a steam launch outside the bay he picked up a 50 foot sloop containing a Spanish captain of the name of Lores and four sailors. They said they were on their way to Guantánamo to get a supply of oil for the lighthouse at Cape Mayai, but papers found on the sloop proved that they had been sent to obtain information relative to the American forces. The crew of the sloop asserted that they had been ill fed and frightfully ill treated by the Spanish commander of the Cape Mayai forces.

There was a brief bombardment of a blockhouse up the bay by the battleship Oregon, and it is believed that during the firing at least a score of Spaniards were killed. Scouting parties report that the blockhouse was completely destroyed, but that they were unable to discover any bodies, the remains of the soldiers who had been killed having probably been carried off by their comrades.

Late this afternoon the flagship New York returned to the fleet off Santiago de Cuba. The marines are growing very restless owing to the delay in the arrival of the re-enforcements of troops, but it is generally believed here that the transports will reach Santiago de Cuba not later than tonight.

A rumor to the effect that Lieutenant Hobson and his fellow heroes of the collier Merrimac had been seen on the walls of Morro castle under a Spanish guard caused much excitement among the fleet off Santiago yesterday, but the story is discredited on Commodore Schley's flagship. The officers there say that Spanish scouts were stationed at the castle and that the Merrimac was not seen.

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OUR SHOTS EFFECTIVE.

Terrible Damage Done at Santiago de Cuba.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, June 20.—A careful inspection of the fortifications along the crest of the hills defending Santiago harbor since the bombardment Thursday morning shows that the American gunners spread wreck and ruin everywhere. Some of the batteries were demolished beyond repair. The vultures which circled on level wings over the hills as thick as swallows around a chimney for hours after the firing ceased furnished ghoulish evidence of the fatality among the Spanish soldiers. Hundreds of troops could be seen from the ships digging in mounds of earth piled up by the explosion of the projectiles from the heavy guns for bodies, while their heads were fanned by the wings of the black scavengers of the battlefield. There were two spots, one on the east and the other on the west of the harbor entrance, which were denuded of foliage. The hilltops seem literally blown away. These marked the places where the 200 pound charges of gun cotton thrown by the Vesuvius landed. But the most ominous token of death flew from Morro castle. The saffron flag of Spain was half masted on the keep for several hours. The significance of this is not known. It is not customary to half mast flags, but possibly some Spanish leader was killed by the heavy fire of our guns, though some officers of the squadron believe that the flag was half masted as a notification to the Americans that Lieutenant Hobson and his brave men were dead. If such is the case, they must have been wantonly murdered. The Spanish might seek to lay their death to the bombardment, but not a shot from the American ships struck the fortress.

Neither Admiral Sampson nor Commodore Schley believes that Lieutenant Hobson and his party have been killed. We have 17 prisoners taken at Guantánamo, including a lieutenant, besides a number in the United States, for reprisals or exchange.

There was evident demoralization among the Spanish troops during the bombardment. Officers could be seen with drawn swords driving the men to the guns, but even then they could not be forced to stay so long as our guns were directed at them. The 15 minutes' night work of the Vesuvius had shattered their nerves.

It is believed by some that the 13 inch projectile fired from the Texas, which was reported to have exploded the powder magazine in one of the western batteries, did not fall in the battery, but went beyond and blew up one of the ships in the harbor.

ALL STILL BUT MORRO.

Santiago's Batteries Silenced—Cervera's Fleet.

KEY WEST, June 20.—Juan Santos, a Cuban pilot who arrived here yesterday morning on board of an American warship, reports that he entered Santiago de Cuba and found there a Spanish garrison of 15,000 men. He adds that the vessels of Admiral Cervera's fleet lying at that port are the armored cruisers Cristobal Colon, Vizcaya and Almirante Oquendo, two small cruisers, two torpedo boats and the Reina Mercedes, which had been stripped of her guns for the purpose of using them to re-enforce the land batteries. The masts of the sunken collier Merrimac were visible above the water.

The pilot further says that the Spanish war vessels were fully manned, but that the crews were discouraged and disappointed. He thinks that Morro castle is the only fort not silenced by Rear Admiral Sampson, who, he says, keeps a steady watch and opens fire as soon as work is attempted by the Spaniards on shore. Morro castle, he alleges, where Lieutenant Hobson and the other brave men of the Merrimac are now confined, was not fired upon, the dynamite cruiser Vesuvius sending her projectiles over the bluff into the channel. The land approaches to Santiago de Cuba are heavily guarded, but the artillery is insignificant.

Other information given by the pilot is that one Spanish colonel and 17 men who were taken prisoners by the Cubans at Guantánamo are on the collier Abarenda and have been offered in exchange for Lieutenant Hobson and his companions.

The hospital ship Solace has over 20 wounded Cubans aboard. The health of the marines who have landed in Cuba is excellent, and good health also prevails on board the vessels of the American fleet. The American officers speak highly of the efficiency and bravery of the Cuban soldiers.

Fifty-two marines arrived yesterday by the steamer Mascotte from Washington and New York city to fill vacancies in the corps.

AT CAMP M'CALLA.

The Marines Receive a Visit From the Admiral.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, June 20.—For several days past small bodies of Spaniards had been hanging around the northern end of the harbor of Guantánamo and annoying the gunboats and launches by occasional firing. They had been coming from a small blockhouse about five miles back from that part of the harbor in which the American warships have been lying.

Yesterday morning the gunboat Swanee led the way up the channel, followed by the Marblehead and the boats of both ships, and opened a heavy fire on bodies of guerrillas seen at a short distance from the shore line.

The shots were not effective at first, but the Spanish infantry made a frantic burst for cover, while the shells pursued them, striking all around. The Dolphin joined in the firing, and for 20 minutes a heavy fire was kept up, when the signal to cease firing was hoisted. The Swanee steamed close inshore for a long distance, but was not able to see any signs of the Spaniards, while no reply of any kind was made to the American firing.

heavy. The enemy ran too fast for cover at the first shots. Later in the day the Oregon sent several shots at the blockhouse, damaging it badly and causing it to burn fiercely for a short time.

Lieutenant Colonel R. W. Huntington, commander of the marines at Camp McCalla, has been making every preparation for an assault by the Spanish infantry, which is generally considered near at hand. The quiet which has prevailed since Captain Elliott and Captain Spicer defeated the Spaniards is considered ominous, as tending to indicate that the Spaniards are massing their forces to attack the American position. The intrenchments have therefore been greatly strengthened and the sharpest kind of watch is kept during the night.

The Cubans themselves are generally of opinion that the Spaniards have had enough for the time being and that no further attack will be made at present.

According to the report of General Perez, the condition of the Spaniards at Guantánamo and in the neighborhood is very bad. He says they are eating horses and mules and that other food is very scarce. He does not believe they will be able to withstand a vigorous attack by one-half their number. He said there were 3,500 Cubans in the province, most of them holding the roads to prevent the Spaniards getting supplies into Guantánamo. In his opinion the American forces can easily take Guantánamo and from that point operate against Santiago with every prospect of success.

SPY AT CAMP MERRITT.

One of De Lome's Agents in the Philippine Army.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 20.—The greatest excitement prevailed in Camp Merritt over the report that leaked out to the effect that one of the most noted and daring of Spanish spies had been captured in camp. It was reported that the man had enlisted in one of the regular regiments of infantry. An investigation revealed the fact that the spy has not as yet been apprehended, but it is known that the government has recently received reliable information that leads it to believe that Spain has a spy in Camp Merritt.

The nature and sources of the government's information are not known to the officers here, but the war department has issued iron clad orders to the commanding officers to make a close investigation of every man that enlists. It can be reliably stated that the government fears a certain well known informer whose name for the present is withheld. It is known that the government has information which leads it to believe that this man is in San Francisco with the purpose of enlisting in one of the regiments, even if he has not already done so. The man is said to have been secretly employed by De Lome when he was in Washington, and it is said he is the direct agent of Sagasta.

Cuero Taken by Insurgents.

MOLE ST. NICHOLAS, Haiti, June 20.—Courier communication has been established from Cuero, which is 13 miles west of Santiago. The place is being kept as a base of communication with Admiral Sampson's fleet. There are 500 Cubans on guard.

The Spanish attack the camp occasionally, but are always beaten. The country round there is entirely in Cuban hands.

One hundred more Cubans have arrived. Their forces are getting into better condition. They have suffered from lack of food and clothes. They now have plenty to eat and dress in the garb of the American "jacksies."

On the sick list are only a few marines, who have slight summer complaints. The camp is perfectly healthy.

Held Up by a Collier.

MOLE ST. NICHOLAS, Haiti, June 20.—The collier Alexander, Commander Burwell, from Hampton Roads, arrived here at 7 o'clock this morning.

The only notable incident on her way down was the overhauling of a Norwegian steamer, the name of which had been painted out. The officers of the Alexander suspected that she was a Spaniard, and Commander Burwell sent a lieutenant to board her. One of the Alexander's boats was capsized in the rough sea and lost, but the men who were tumbled into the water by the overturning of the boat were rescued.

The papers of the Norwegian were found to be regular and she was allowed to proceed.

Running the Blockade.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, June 20.—Three large cargoes of supplies are known to have run the blockade already, and great quantities of food are smuggled to Havana by way of the Isle of Pines, Cienfuegos and other points on the southwest coast having direct railroad communication with the capital. It is believed, however, that nothing reaches Santiago from any of those points.

The auxiliary cruisers Yankee and Yosemite are now scouting for the Spanish steamer Purissima Concepcion, which left Kingston on Thursday morning, flying the Spanish flag, with food and ammunition for Cuba.

Camara at Cartagena.

LONDON, June 20.—The Gibraltar correspondent of The Daily Telegraph says:

"Admiral Camara's squadron arrived at Cartagena Saturday evening, with Captain Anon, minister of marine, who inspected the Lepanto. The destination of the fleet is not known, but it is believed that Admiral Camara will keep in touch with home ports and that the squadron will be used to deceive the Americans."

Russia Interested in the Philippines.

LONDON, June 20.—The Odessa correspondent of The Times says: "The government has arranged that several of the volunteer fleet cruisers should be temporarily stationed at Vladivostok and Port Arthur, with a view, it is believed, of giving due weight to Russia's voice in the decision as to the ultimate ownership of the Philippines."

NO HOPE FOR SPAIN.

Spaniard Admits German Interference Was a Bluff.

SPANISH HONOR SUFFERS AGAIN.

The Story That McKinley Does Not Trust Cervera Troubles the Haughty Don. The Queer War News That the Capital of Spain Gets.

MADRID, June 20.—The statement that President McKinley has sent to Admiral Cervera and General Pando messages saying that he would hold them personally responsible for the lives of Lieutenant Hobson and his men has produced a disagreeable impression here in military circles as showing that President McKinley distrusts the military honor of the Spaniards, who, on their part, despite all threats. Such messages, it is declared, render the future exchange of prisoners most unlikely.

Private telegrams received here from Cuba say that during the last attack by the American ships upon Santiago de Cuba a Spanish ship struck upon the deck of one of the attacking ships, sweeping off all the men there. Another ship, according to the same authority, struck the funnel of a cruiser, doing much damage.

The Havana government is displaying great energy. Fourteen university professors who fled through fear of the results of the war have been dismissed. The blockading vessels, the telegrams say, continue inactive.

Captain Anson, the minister of marine, refuses to give any information regarding the destination of Admiral Camara's squadron.

The Spanish press declares that the statements that the bodies of American marines killed at Guantanamo were mutilated by the Spanish troops and similar sentiments regarding the loss of the Maine are made with the object of inflaming the American populace.

Captain Anson, the minister of marine, who arrived at Cartagena Saturday and inspected the ironclad Lepanto, reports that the Lepanto and the cruisers Cardenal Cisneros and Princesa de Asturias will be ready for sea in a month.

In the course of conversation yesterday an important politician said he did not believe that Germany would do anything in the Philippines in behalf of Spain. Nor had he any faith in help from the European powers. "If Admiral Camara is successful in the Philippines," he said, "it will be of assistance to Spain in adjusting peace, but no power or combination of powers is likely to oppose America's policy. Should the liberals retire, the next government will take the first opportunity to negotiate for peace."

General Blanco has cabled to Lieutenant General Correa, minister of war, an indignant denial of the charges that the Spaniards at Guantanamo mutilated the American dead.

GERMANY'S ATTITUDE.

Not Much Danger of Her Troubling This Country.

LONDON, June 20.—The Madrid correspondent of The Times says:

"Official circles attach little importance to the rumors of German interference. Questioned privately with reference to the reported remark of the captain of the German warship Irene at a champagne luncheon with Spanish staff officers in the Philippines a few days ago, to the effect that the Americans would never annex the Philippines 'while William remains emperor,' Senor Sagasta made the sensible remark that German officers do not make publicly such crude statements and that the German government, when it wishes to reveal its intentions, will choose other channels."

The Times' Madrid correspondent says: "The best informed people here believe that during hostilities Germany will maintain a perfectly correct and neutral attitude, but that so soon as there is any change in the political status quo of the archipelago proposed she will insist upon obtaining a coaling station as compensation for the disturbance of the political equilibrium of the far east."

With the Philippine Insurgents.

LONDON, June 20.—A dispatch to The Daily Telegraph from Manila, via Hong Kong, says:

"General Aguinaldo has captured a deal of money, which he has sent aboard the American warships for safety. The much vaunted Philippine militia, which it was a serious mistake on the part of the Spaniards to arm, are now all fighting in the rebel ranks. The provinces of Batangas, Laguna, Cavite, Bulacan, Pampanga, Tarlac, and Pinaricab are all in full rebellion. It is believed that General Pena, with the whole of his army in the province of Pampanga, has had to capitulate to the victorious rebels."

The Spaniards are astounded to find that the rebels respect the lives and property of their prisoners of all ranks. It is believed there are discussions among the rebel leaders of so serious a character that civil war is certain so soon as the Spaniards and the Americans have gone."

A Ship From Manila.

HONGKONG, June 20.—The British steamer Yuen-Sang, which arrived from Manila on June 14, reports that a railway director who went out on the line on a locomotive was fired on by insurgents at the barricades, four kilometers outside Manila.

The Yuen-Sang also reports that the Manila railway station is being fortified. The Spaniards, it is said, are demoralized and it was expected when the steamer left that it would retire to the citadel by the 16th.

On leaving Manila the Yuen-Sang sighted a number of vessels believed to be American transports.

Fall of Manila Rumored Again.

PARIS, June 20.—The Madrid correspondent of The Times says that it is reported that Manila has been captured though the ministers have not received any news to that effect.

The correspondent also says that Senor Romero Gil, the minister of the colonies, states that if Governor General Augusti has made over his power to General Sanderia to govern Manila General Sanderia will attempt a sortie. According to the same authority the Spanish consuls at Hongkong, Shanghai and Singapore have been ordered to organize at any cost the most rapid communication with the portions of the archipelago still under Spanish authority.

Madrid's Private Wire.

MADRID, June 20.—A private dispatch received here from New York says General Shafter's expedition has landed near Santiago de Cuba and will attack the town immediately.

KILLED IN A WRECK.

A Fatal Smashup Six Miles Above Mauch Chunk.

EASTON, Pa., June 20.—The passenger train on the Central railroad of New Jersey, due here shortly after 6 o'clock last evening, was wrecked six miles above Mauch Chunk at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and the engineer, Richard McHale of Easton, and the news agent, Charles Ebner of South Easton, were killed. Wilfred Yeomans, the fireman, and Charles Taylor, the baggage master, both of Easton, were badly hurt. The train was east bound, and while rounding a curve at a lively rate the rails spread, and the engine, baggage car and smoker left the track. The remaining three cars of the train stopped before they reached the broken rails. The engine plowed into the embankment. McHale remained at the throttle and was frightfully crushed between the engine and the embankment. He died in a few minutes. Yeomans was cut about the head and body, but it is believed he will recover.

The baggage car was smashed to splinters, and the roof and other portions of it flew up on the embankment, along which runs the Lehigh Valley track, and struck a moving passenger train on that road. The Lehigh Valley train was, however, not damaged. Ebner and Taylor were conversing in the baggage car when the crash came. The former was cut and bruised, and his legs were broken and mangled. He died at Mauch Chunk, where he was taken. Taylor's breast was bruised, and he is believed to be internally injured. He is in the Easton hospital. The smoker tumbled into the Lehigh river. There were about a dozen passengers in the car, but all escaped. Some were painfully cut and bruised, and all are suffering from the shock.

McHale leaves a large family of children. Ebner was married only a few months ago.

MILLION DOLLAR FIRE.

Park City, Utah, Almost Entirely Destroyed.

SALT LAKE CITY, June 20.—A special to The Tribune from Park City, Utah, says:

"The business portion of Park City on Main street excepting a few business houses on the upper end of the street burned to the ground yesterday. The fire started in the American hotel and, fanned by a southern wind, swept the entire street. Park City's business portion is a mass of ruins. The damage is close to a million dollars. The only store left is that of Welsh, Driscoll & Buck. Every drug store, butcher shop, hotel and all but three saloons burned to the ground. Both the Park Opera House and the new A. O. U. W. building, with the new Grand Opera House, were entirely destroyed. The Marasac mill was saved only by hard work. The city hall, both bank buildings, postoffice and telephone exchange are gone. Many people are left homeless, having nothing but their clothes."

BASEBALL SCORES.

Results of Yesterday's Games in the National League.

At Cleveland—								
Cleveland	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	—4
Pittsburg	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	—0
Hits—Cleveland, 9; Pittsburg, 10. Errors—Cleveland, 1, Pittsburg, 2. Batters—Wilson and Criger; Gardner and Sherman.								
At Chicago—								
Chicago	1	1	0	0	3	0	2	—3
Cincinnati	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	—0
Hits—Chicago, 13; Cincinnati, 7. Errors—Chicago, 3; Cincinnati, 4. Batters—Griffith and Donahue; Breitenstein and Vaughn.								
At St. Louis—								
St. Louis	0	0	1	0	4	0	1	—7
Louisville	0	3	0	0	0	0	2	—1
Hits—St. Louis, 9; Louisville, 11. Errors—St. Louis, 4; Louisville, 4. Batters—Taylor and Clements; Magee and Waters.								
Second game—								
St. Louis	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	—5
Louisville	1	0	0	0	5	0	0	—0
Hits—St. Louis, 3; Louisville, 5. Errors—St. Louis, 2; Louisville, 3. Batters—Hurkey and Clements; Dowling and Snyder.								

Table of Percentages.

	W.	L.	P.	C.
incinnati.....	35	17	53	
St. Louis.....	23	18	59	
Cleveland.....	21	19	60	
Baltimore.....	28	20	55	
Chicago.....	29	22	55	
Pittsburgh.....	27	24	52	
New York.....	26	24	52	
Philadelphia.....	20	17	62	
Brooklyn.....	20	28	51	
Washington.....	19	32	37	
St. Louis.....	19	32	37	
Cincinnati.....	16	38	39	

The Albanian Outbreak.

CETTINJE, Montenegro, June 20.—There was fighting all day long on Friday near Rojanc, on the left bank of the river Lim. It lasted until a late hour at night. The number of killed is as yet unknown. There were repeated attacks by the Albanians on the monastery of Giorgjevo Stufovi. The exodus of women and children from the disturbed district into Montenegrin territory continues. Saturday the Servians urged the Albanians as far as Berane, when a Turkish battery in the fortress and upon the pursuers, killing and wounding many. Three battalions from Dub and one from Diakova have been sent to Berane bringing the garrison there up to six battalions. Saad Eddin Pasha has been sent to restore order and rebuild the burned villages.

Historic Building Burned.

SAVANNAH, June 20.—The old Harbortown building, a block of the oldest buildings in Savannah, one of them having been built in 1828, were destroyed by fire yesterday afternoon. The fire was started by lightning. The buildings were among the most historic in Savannah. One of them was listed up one time for the purpose of tendering a ball to Henry Clay, but he was not invited and the ball was never given. Loss covered by insurance.

HAWAIIAN ANNEXATION.

Both Sides in the Senate Claim to Control the Situation.

WASHINGTON, June 20.—The Hawaiian question comes to the front again in the senate during the present week, but under somewhat different circumstances from those which attended its presentation at the beginning of the session. The purpose was then, as it is now, to secure the annexation of the islands to the United States, but the effort at that time to secure this result was by means of a treaty, whereas the present course is through the instrumentality of a joint resolution. On the first occasion the matter was considered in executive session, with the public excluded, while now the doors are to be thrown open and the world invited.

What the outcome of the discussion will be or when a vote will be reached no one will undertake to say positively. The leaders on both sides are full of prophecy, but there is such discrepancy between their opinions as to render it necessary to discard one in order to accept the other. The friends of annexation assert that there is no possible doubt of their ability to pass the resolution and say they have 46 senators, or one more than a quorum, pledged to remain in the senate until the question can be decided, while the opposition leaders declare that 48 senators have assured them that they will vote to adjourn in preference to remaining in session indefinitely for the consideration of the Hawaiian question. The supporters of the proposition express confidence that action will be secured within ten days, while the opposition contend that it will be found impossible to secure a vote during the present session of congress. The advocates of annexation declare they will make no speeches, leaving the opponents to occupy all the time to be consumed by this means. The opposition say they are willing to make the speeches if compelled to do so, but if forced to do this they will insist that the friends of the measure shall maintain a constant quorum in the senate chamber. They also predict that the annexationists will find themselves compelled to participate in the proceedings, as they expect to advance points which will demand refutation or at least reply.

In view of this generally contradictory condition, one can only base prediction upon general conditions. There is no doubt, in the first place, that the annexationists have a majority in the senate if a vote can be reached. If a vote could be had now the result would be about 54 for annexation to 35 against it, a full senate. Of these 54 senators there are, however, quite a number who are not zealous and in whose minds all doubt as to the policy of the acquisition of outside territory has not been overcome. The senators as a rule are indisposed to remain in session for any length of time during the whole summer months to carry Hawaiian annexation. Most of the senators of this class are Republicans, and there are probably a sufficient number of them under normal circumstances to join with the Democrats to force an adjournment. They find themselves confronted, however, with the request of the administration to remain and pass the resolution as a war measure, and some are disposed to sink their own preferences in obedience to the presidential wish. The gossip as to the probability of a postponement until a fixed day in the next session increases, and many persons are predicting that this will be the outcome of the contest. A test vote probably will be secured today on the taking up of the resolution, as it will be necessary in order to get it up to displace other measures on the calendar.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Yale won the third and deciding baseball game in the Yale-Princeton championship series.

H. L. Doherty defeated Clarence Hobart in the final match for the international tennis championship.

August Sulter, a Cleveland commission merchant, made an assignment Saturday. The assets and liabilities are placed at \$75,000.

Alice Sittler and Mamie and Minnie Corner were drowned in the river near Defiance, O., Friday evening. Their bodies were not recovered until Saturday.

A cyclone accompanied by hail swept through Orleans county, N. Y., yesterday, doing great damage to apple orchards. Trees were uprooted, and the growing crop was badly injured.

John Simmons, an inmate of the New Jersey state prison, hanged himself in his cell with a cord which he obtained in one of the shops. He came from Newark a week ago to serve two years for picking pockets.

A New Steel Company.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., June 20.—The Alabama Steel and Shipbuilding company was organized here Saturday, with N. E. Barker of Birmingham as president and with a capital stock of \$400,000 and authority to issue \$1,000,000 of bonds. The promoters of this enterprise are local, with other capitalists and the Tennessee Coal and Iron Railroad company, which latter corporation guarantees its bonds. As soon as organized the new company has a contract with the Welburn-Seaver Engineering company of Cleveland to build a \$1,000,000 steel plant at Ensley City, six miles from Birmingham, the work to begin within 30 days. The plant will have a capacity of 1,000 tons of steel probably and will be the largest south of Pittsburgh.

Cruiser Kasagi's Trial Run.

PHILADELPHIA, June 20.—A dispatch from Delaware breakwater states that the Japanese cruiser Kasagi, which left Cramp's shipyard Saturday on her builder's trial trip, passed in the Delaware capes at 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon. From her top flew the signal "Homeward bound," and painted on her smokestack was the figure 23. The cruiser did not stop, but kept on up the bay and probably anchored for the night below the minefields at Reedy island. The 23 is taken as an indication that the trial trip had taken place and that the ship had been made. The trial contract time. The test was made over the 16 mile course outside the capes between Five Fathom Bank lightship and the Fenwick Island lightship.

William's Coming Pilgrimage.

BEIRUT, June 20.—In view of the approaching visit of Emperor William to Palestine, an aid de camp of the sultan is examining and having repairs made upon all the roads between Syria and Palestine, and all the troops have been provided with new uniforms.

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Pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, notice is hereby given according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Hector Savage, late of the town of Mount Hope, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers therefor, to the subscriber, the administrator of said and singular the goods, chattels and credits of said deceased, at his residence, in the village of Suffern, town of Ramapo, Rockland county, New York, on or before the first day of July, 1898.

Dated November 20, 1897. WILLIAM L. BAXTER, Administrator. JOHN C. R. TAYLOR, Administrator's Attorney, Rooms 4 and 6, Low Building, Middletown, New York. A. C. Wadsworth, Jan 20/98.

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THE GOODS—There is no war scare here. New goods are coming in daily, lots of them, and they go out as fast as they come in. Our city buyer is on the lookout every day for new bargains for Tompkins' Big Store.

THE PRICES—Will this business be here prosperous five years from now? That largely depends on the bargains we give you now. Our business life is vitalized by the advantages we are able to offer you.

THE PUBLICITY—True news of good goods, at right prices make the Tompkins column good reading every week. Once again this week will each department arise in its bargain might and prove its bargain power. Once again will the multitude heartily respond to the unstinted bargain richness. Once again will small prices become great by bringing in enormous returns. This week is bargain week par excellence at Tompkins'—the popular shopping point of Middletown.

Muslin Underwear for This Week's Sale

75c NIGHT GOWNS These, like the aprons, will probably not last longer than the day in the lot only, made of good muslin, cambric ruffle on cuffs and neck, tucked and fancy tuck on face on front.

50c CENT MUSLIN Made of good muslin, wide cambric ruffle and fine wide tuck on face on front.

75c CENT MUSLIN Made of good muslin, with wide cambric ruffle and deep edging of fine tuck on face on front. Of these three lots of 2-muslin Underwear we have only ten dozen of each lot. Wish it were 100 dozen each. They would all go this week. These will not last one day.

This Week's Very Special Sale of Wrappers.

We know that whenever we say Wrappers, you expect much from us. You will not be disappointed this week.

\$1.25 WRAPPERS These are made of dark green and blue. Percales, with small fancy pin stripes. All one pattern, but different colors. Lined to waist, full front, three piece skirt, trimmed with Hamburg embroidery. \$1.25 is regular price. At Tompkins', while they last, 50c each.

A MATTER OF You took nearly all of them Saturday. Here are more in three lots. The lot is all new. It is for the usual price of one. The Silk Club House Tea Set, 18c Silk Window Trim, 10c, 15c and 20c. For 10c, 15c and 20c. In silk, white pins or lawn, 25c and 30c each.

BUSINESS CARDS. DR. F. R. FRIEND, Dentist, office upper North King St. Dental work of all kinds. Gas administered. 415 Broadway. PHILIP HENRY, Practical House Painter, No. 8 Linden Terrace. Painting walls a specialty. CHAS. J. KIDD, Jr., 70 Academy Avenue—300 de la Luz in Wall Paper. Estimates furnished for painting, decorating and heating. 71. TEETH A good set \$4 and \$5, the BEST \$10. Warranted pure, healthy. Color perfect, and other advantages. DR. ROBINSON, 100 Nassau Building, James street. CHARLES J. EVERSON, successor to William W. Howe, Surveyor and Civil Engineer, 60 No. 5 King street, Middletown. J. W. WORCESTER, M. D., late of New York City. Fine Dentistry in all its branches. No part in the use of pain and extraction. 17 NORTH ST., Middletown, N. Y. DR. & COX, Attorneys and Counsellors at Law, 100 North Street, Middletown, N. Y. HENRY C. McRAIR, D. D. S., 600 Adams Street, N. Y. AUSTIN'S DYE HOUSE, 30 Wickham Avenue, Spots removed from ladies' light socks and skirts and pressed 50c up. Gent's spring overcoats and light suits cleaned from spots and pressed 50 to 75 cents. MUSICAL Instruction on mandolin, piano, violin, guitar, etc., given over National MAGGIO, 60 North Street, second floor. 4471. DR. T. C. ROYCE and DR. A. FREEMAN, Foot, Heel, and Nail Diseases, National Express Co., Franklin Square, Middletown, N. Y. JEROME POLLETTE, Piano and Organ Tuner. Fine tone and action regulating a specialty. All work guaranteed. Orders may be left at Bradnack's Music House, 60 North Street. 424-415 Adams St.

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GANGS DID NOT FIGHT.

John Woodman, who was expected to give battle but did not rally in force—Parade of the Middletown First Ward Gang.

A bloody war was expected to occur, Sunday night, on the boundaries of the First Ward, between "gangs" from Goshen and this city. Only a few minor skirmishes occurred, however, and the main fight was postponed a week in the absence of the main force from Goshen.

It seems that two Goshen youths were soundly licked at a recent picnic at Mannerchor Park by two Middletowners. The Goshenites promised to return to Middletown, Sunday night, and "clean out the First Ward." The result was to keep the gang of youthful crathrowers who regularly visit Goshen each Sunday in quest of the nickels which are supposed to abound there very closely about home, yesterday. At night they formed a company of scrappers fifty strong in Thrall Park. The main fighters remained in the shade of trees in the park, and the younger fellows were sent out as bait for any Goshen fighters who appeared. The latter had but a few representatives and these were quickly and soundly licked.

The local gang in a column of two marched through Railroad avenue and East Main street in quest of any stragglers of a Goshen stamp, and many wondered what the demonstration meant.

MRS. ST. JOHN'S SONG RECITAL.

Programme to be rendered at the Second Presbyterian Church, Tuesday evening, June 22nd.

At the song recital by Mrs. St. John and pupils at the Second Presbyterian Church, to-morrow (Tuesday) evening, the following fine programme will be rendered:

"Last Night".....H. Kjerfält
"Lullaby".....Robert Brewster Beattie
"Welcome Pretty Primrose".....Pineau-Penias
"Edna Morgan, Kennedy, Fuller, Robinson, Campbell, Mrs. May."
"Dorrie".....Edna Morgan, Kennedy, Fuller, Robinson, Campbell, Mrs. May.
"Elegie".....William Wall Walcott
"Twas April".....Elizabeth Nevill
"I Feel Thy Angel Spirit".....G. Hoffman
"Spring Tide".....Reinhold Becker
"Annie Laurie".....Dudley Buck
"Star Spangled Banner".....Mrs. St. John, Misses Pillsbury, Sloan, Wiggins.

A YOKE OF STOLEN OXEN.

Bought by Ex-Sheriff Johnson, Thursday, and Claimed by Their Owner Saturday.

Ex-Sheriff Johnson accepts the situation gracefully. He knows his \$70 is gone and that it would be sending good money after bad to try to catch the thief, Reeder, who sold him a pair of stolen oxen.

The fellow came here Thursday and having shown the oxen the ex-sheriff told him he didn't like his looks. The fellow told him of just whom he purchased the oxen and gave him the names of several others around Shohola Falls, who are known to the ex-sheriff, and he finally accepted them and paid him \$70.

Saturday a man came from Pond Eddy and claimed the pair of cattle. He had traced the fellow to this city readily, for the reason that he inquired for "Sheriff Johnson's farm," all the way from Port Jervis. He identified his cattle and he was corroborated by a young man of this city, who knew them.

The oxen were delivered to their owner, and Reeder can have an interesting session in a four-foot ring any time he calls at the ex-sheriff's.

Graduating Exercises at the Misses Porter's School.

The Mount Vernon Daily Argus publishes a very appreciative account of the graduating exercises, Wednesday, of the school which the Misses Porter, formerly of this city, recently established there. The graduates were Miss Harriet Mary Drake, of Otisville, who read an essay, "Some Elements of Civilization," and Miss Anna Thompson, of near this city, whose theme was "The Price of Liberty." Misses Drake and Thompson, who began their course with the Misses Porter here, also rendered two instrumental duets.

A Hat That Represents \$5,000.

From the Newburgh Journal.
A well known young lady of this city is the owner of a hat which represents \$5,000. It was the gift of a friend who made a recent visit to Washington and purchased the hat while at the Capitol. The hat is of the style worn by Uncle Sam and was made of greenbacks which had been redeemed and macerated into pulp in the U. S. Treasury department.

Card of Thanks.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lennon wish to extend their thanks to the friends and relatives who so kindly assisted them, and to those who gave flowers during the last illness and death of their beloved child Esther.

Dr. Bull's
Pills
For Coughs, Croup, Whooping Cough, Sore Throat, Bronchitis, Asthma, Hay Fever, and all Lung Affections. Sold by Dr. J. E. Mills, 2 Empire Block, Middletown, N. Y.

DRAGGED THROUGH THE STREET

A Nervy Man Pluckily Holds on to a Manaway Horse.

Few Middletowners care to be witnesses of another sight like that of Saturday afternoon, when John Bull, of near Bullville, was dragged between the wheels of his wagon from Dusenberry & Son's store, on North street, across Franklin Square to Bross' barber shop. He held pluckily to the reins, however, and would have stopped the horse in a short time even if men had not caught the frightened animal when they did.

Mr. Bull's horse shied at a trolley car, and his wheel caught the wheel of E. Smith Webb's wagon, standing in front of H. S. Dusenberry & Son's, and which Mrs. Webb was about to enter. Both wagons were upset, and Mr. Bull was thrown between the wheels of his own wagon and then dragged as told. The accident happened just at going-to-press time, and only brief mention was made in Saturday's Argus.

A BROKEN BOND.

"Girl's Mad" and Returned Presents Are for Sale.

A jewelry dealer received a call from a young man, a day or two ago, who he remembered as a customer of a year before. He had sold him a handsome gold watch, a ring, and other presents which had been worn by his lady love.

This time the young man's face was long and he chuckled a bundle on the show case which, on being opened, displayed the articles battered and broken. He simply said in response to the dealer's inquiring look:

"Girl's mad! Do you want to buy any old gold?"

Will Enlist Recruits for Co. I, First Regiment.

Capt. McIntyre announces that pursuant to orders he will receive recruits at the armory beginning this afternoon and on Tuesday and Wednesday from 3:30 to 5 and 7:30 to 9 p. m.

Twenty-six able-bodied men are wanted.

A Rich Estate.

From the Port Jervis Gazette.

The probate of the will of Mary Louise Potter, late of Tuxedo Park, was completed, Saturday, before Surrogate Howell, in this village. The estate is a large one, estimated to be \$1,500,000.

OTISVILLE.

Children's Day Exercises—Close of Miss Beyea's School—Attended Meetings of Religious Organizations—Searching for Stolen Oxen—First Band Concert—Personal and Local Notes.

Correspondence Answered and Mercantile.

The exercises of Children's Day took the place of the regular services at the Presbyterian Church. In the absence of the pastor, G. H. King, superintendent of the Sunday School, presided. The church was beautifully decorated with flowers and bunting. The drilling was in charge of the Misses Beyea and Otto, and called forth expressions of praise, which it certainly merited. The children all did well and were pleasant to hear, their parts being all so well memorized.

Seven of our young people attended the closing exercises of Miss H. Beyea's school, Thursday evening. The programme was interesting and well arranged. Commissioner Kaufman was present. After some very appropriate remarks he presented the prizes awarded by the teacher, and the sixth, eighth and ninth grade certificates to the successful competitors.

Miss Beyea returned home from Brooklyn, Friday afternoon.

Invitations to the graduation exercises of the Misses Porter's school have been received here by friends of Miss Hattie Drake, who is a member of the graduating class.

Mr. Jordan and Miss Park were in attendance at the missionary meeting held in New York city during last week.

Rev. R. J. Diven attended the Orange County Bible Society meeting at Florida; also the C. E. convention at Port Jervis, last week.

A gentleman from near Hawley, Pa., went through the village, Saturday morning, inquiring about a yoke of oxen that had been stolen from him. They had been seen here and one man had made an offer for them. Saturday night the man returned with his property, having found them with ex-Sheriff Johnson, of Middletown, who had purchased them of the thief.

Rev. Mr. Ramsey and family were away, last week. He has been telegraphed for to conduct the funeral services of Mrs. Lewis.

Mrs. Hoyt and Mrs. Tears left the first of the week for a visit to Niagara Falls, Chicago and other points in the West.

Miss Myra Green re-opened her ice cream parlor, Saturday night.

The first of the band concerts, which were so popular last season, occurred Saturday night.

Miss Harriet Beyea left Monday to be present at the commencement exercises at the Delaware Academy, Delhi. She expects to spend a part of her vacation visiting Friends in Oneonta, Bainbridge, Mount Upton and Norwich.

The tables of all who desire fresh strawberries are supplied daily by Samuel Boyd.

A brown plaid cape was lost by one of the parties who went to the Rome School on Thursday evening. Any information would be gladly received. Address Mrs. J. E. Mills, 2 Empire Block, Middletown, N. Y.

ODDS AND ENDS.

Neither camels nor elephants can jump.
There are always 5,000 British vessels at sea.

Field rats are considered good eating in Cuba.

Elephants can exert the strength of 31 horses.

Savages, on the whole, live longer than civilized people.

A carrier pigeon service was established by the Turks A. D. 567.

Sicilian laborers are glad to get ten pence a day for 14 hours' work.

German weigh nearly ten pounds each man more than a Frenchman.

A newly-discovered spot in the sun, visible now, is 30,000 miles in diameter. The heat of comets is said to be 2,000 times greater than red-hot iron.

A church in Seidlitz, in Bohemia, contains a chandelier made of human bones.

In Costa Rica canary birds, bullfinches and paroquets are special table dainties.

It is claimed that at present the English language is spoken by 115,000,000 people.

The harbor of Rio Janeiro has 30 miles of anchorage, and is the finest in the world.

It was in Cuba that Adelfina Patti sang for the first time in public, when he was 14 years old. It was at a concert, and her success was complete.

It is said that the phonograph is now used in the Spanish telephone service. Messages are spoken into it, and the instrument repeats them to the telephone. They are also received on a phonograph at the distant station.

The microphone is being utilized for the education of deaf mutes, and such persons can actually hear sounds proceeding from the micro-phonograph, and soon learn to utter them. It appears to be an efficacious method, even with persons who have passed middle life.

WELL-KNOWN LITERARY FOLK

Sam Walter Foss, the poet, who has been in newspaper work for the past 15 years, has been appointed librarian of the public library at Somerville, Mass.

This year marks the tri-centenary of Shakespeare's "Merchant of Venice," and Sir Henry Irving will recognize the fact by including the play in his repertoire for the coming season.

Henri Gilbert, a French journalist, who is walking around the world for a wager of \$10,000, has arrived at Adelaide, South Australia. The distance to be traversed is 41,500 miles, and it has to be accomplished in five years. Since he started in February, 1895, he has covered 23,220 miles.

Isaac McLellan, the sporting poet, celebrated his ninety-second birthday recently. He claims the distinction of being America's oldest living poet. Mr. McLellan was a schoolfellow of Longfellow and Whittier. He is the oldest surviving member of the Independent cadets of Boston, which company he joined in 1830.

Richard Le Gallienne is the last to bare the charge of plagiarism brought against him. In a letter to the London Chronicle Walter Phelps Dodge says that Le Gallienne, in his "The Romance of Zion Chapel," makes the hero develop phthisis by kissing a consumptive fiancée. Mr. Dodge says that he used that "rather morbid idea" in his book, "A Strong Man Armed," published in 1897.

DEFINED FOR LAND LUBBERS.

Dead Lights—Coverings to the side air ports.

Starboard—The right-hand side, looking forward.

Berth Deck—The deck next below the lower gun deck.

Bilge—That part of the hull more nearly horizontal than vertical.

Dinghy—The smallest boat on a warship; also "dinghy" and "dingy."

Orlop—The lowest deck, where the cables and storerooms usually are.

Ensign—The national flag. Also the lowest grade of commissioned officers in the navy.

False Keel—A plank bolted to the main keel so that when a ship touches bottom the false keel will be injured and not the main keel.

Anchor Watch—A small number of men kept on duty at night while the ship is at anchor in port, to be ready for anything which may suddenly turn up.

Great Guns—The heavy ordnance of a ship—all guns above six-inch caliber are styled great guns; below that guns are now usually called rapid-firers or rapid-fire guns.

Rate—In our navy, a classification of ships according to displacement: tonnage. Above 5,000 tons, first rate; 3,000 to 5,000, second rate; 1,000 to 3,000, third rate; below 1,000, fourth rate.

METHODS OF AUTHORS.

Mrs. Browning generally wrote in bed.

Whittier and Longfellow wrote very methodical, always had their desks in perfect order and demanded utter quiet.

George Eliot generally wrote doubled up on a sofa, her feet curled under her, soft pillows and a pad of paper on her lap.

Harriet Prescott Spofford wrote anywhere—on her lap—meanwhile taking an animated part in the conversation going on about her.

Anthony Trollope always wrote standing up very straight at a high desk, with his watch before him, timing himself to a certain length of duty. He was a very fast writer, and he was a very fast reader. He was a very fast writer, and he was a very fast reader.

DON'T BE DELUDED.

Let Foreign Testimony Alone. Anchor Your Faith to Evidence in Middletown.

There is no necessity in going abroad for proof. The way is almost hedged with guide posts in Middletown. He that runs may read. If the experience of two scores of Middletown's representative citizens published in her daily papers will not convince the greatest, dyed-in-the-wool skeptic about the merits of Doan's Kidney Pills, ask this very convincing question, what in the world kind of evidence would?

Mrs. E. Doremus, of No. 12 Cottage street, says: "It was only a backache at first then severe acute pains. Urinary difficulty followed, causing me to rise frequently during the night and the secretions were feverish. A cold or overwork increased the pain. Sometimes my physician ordered me to go to bed, at other times backache compelled me to and kept me there for three or four days. I had no less than four physicians prescribe for me. One said it was womb trouble, another said female complaint, and still another kidney disorder. It did not make much difference what they pronounced the cause to be, all of them failed to cure me. I, with very little faith in their efficacy, obtained a box of Doan's Kidney Pills at J. E. Mills' drug store. If I was sure I would have no return of my trouble I would say I am radically cured, for I have not a symptom of my old complaint, but I have been so often disappointed by doctor's medicines that I have lost faith and confidence in any remedy. I have stopped taking Doan's Kidney Pills for I had no need of them. The pain is gone and I am improved in general health."

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Remember the name Doan's, and take no substitute.

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Olivia Peterson, of Coldwater, Mich., writes: "I had not been able to sit up a half a day at a time for thirteen years until I used the *Mystic Life Renewer*. It has cured me of nervous troubles, headache and a very bad stomach. It has helped me in so many ways, and cured me of afflictions that the doctors said could not be cured. The blessed *Life Renewer* has done more for me than all the Patent Medicines, Doctors and Christian Science treatments combined. It is the most wonderful medicine I ever saw."

Sold by J. E. Mills, No. 2 Empire Block, Middletown, N. Y.

Ideal Treatment for Rheumatism.

The "Mystic Cure" for Rheumatism removes at once the rheumatic poison from the system and the disease immediately disappears. Whilst the "Mystic Life Renewer" builds up the shattered nervous system, improves the digestion and restores the general health. It is the greatest cure for all nervous diseases and weakness as well as the most powerful nerve builder known.

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A Giant Nerve Builder.

The *Mystic Life Renewer* is the most powerful nerve builder known. It absolutely cures all forms of nervous diseases and weakness no matter how aggravated or of how long duration, such as neuralgia, nervous prostration, nervous paroxysms, St. Vitus's dance, palpitation of the heart, physical and mental weakness, debility of old age, etc.

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Thousands of persons have been cured of piles by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It heals promptly and cures eczema and all skin diseases. It gives immediate relief. W. D. Olney.

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Distressing Stomach Disease.

Permanently cured by the masterly power of South American Nerve Tonic. Invalids need suffer no longer because this great remedy can cure them all. It is a cure for the whole world of stomach weakness and indigestion. The cure begins with the first dose. The relief it brings is marvellous and surprising. No matter how long you have suffered, your cure is certain under the use of this great health-giving force. Pleasant and always safe. Sold by J. E. Mills, druggists Middletown, N. Y.

The Chief Burgess of Milesburg, Pa., says DeWitt's Little Early Risers are the best pills he ever used in his family during forty years of housekeeping. They cure constipation, sick headache and stomach and liver troubles. Small in size but great in results. W. D. Olney.

Bob Moore, of LaFayette, Ind., says that for constipation he has found DeWitt's Little Early Risers to be perfect. They never gripe. Try them for stomach and liver troubles. W. D. Olney.

Three spectres that threaten baby's life. Cholera infantum, dysentery, diarrhoea. Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry never fails to conquer them.

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Special lot Silk and Satin Ribbon, Nos. 5 to 16, from 3 to 9c a yard
Misses' All Silk Mitts..... 5c a pair
One lot Ladies' Black Figured Skirts, well made up, full four yards wide, roseline lined, value \$2.50, at..... \$1.39
Ladies' White Muslin Skirts, well trimmed, deep Hamburg ruffle and three tucks, value 65c, at..... 35c
Ladies' Mutil Corset Covers..... 7c each
Ladies' Fast Black Hose..... 5c a pair
Ladies' Leather Belts, covered and harness buckles, at..... 5c each
Ladies' Hemstitched Linen Handkerchiefs 3c each
Ladies' and Men's 4-ply Linen Collars..... 4c each
Ladies' Ribbed Vests, trimmed neck..... 4c each
Children's Fast Black Hose..... 4c pair
One lot Men's Percsle Working Shirts, well made up, sizes 14 to 17, at..... 12c each
One lot Men's (veralls and Jackets, good quality, well made up, value 50c, at 25c each
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WEATHER INDICATIONS.
WASHINGTON, D. C., June 20.—Fair, to-day and Tuesday, light northerly winds.

THE TEMPERATURE.
The following was the registry of the thermometer at Frank's drug store, today:
7 a. m., 62°; 12 m., 76°; 5 p. m., 77°.

AMUSEMENT NOTES.
—June 21—Strawberry and ice cream festival at First Baptist Church.
—June 21—Song recital at Second Presbyterian Church.
—June 28—Mary Powell excursion.
—July 4—Picnic of Ontario House Co., No. 5, at Manchester Park, afternoon and evening.
—July 4—Excursion to New York, via Erie Railroad.

The Herald says that the way to get rid of the "defective pay rolls" excuse is "to revise the pay rolls of the men in charge of the business of paying the soldiers and get rid of those responsible for all the trouble."

The Sun has evolved a new reason for the war. It argues that after we get control of Cuba we can compel the inhabitants of its cities to keep clean and observe sanitary laws and thus get rid of the annual menace of yellow fever, which statistics show is more frequently brought to this country from Havana than from any other foreign port.

President McKinley is understood to be holding back a number of important military appointments in order that he may have places to bestow as rewards for valor on soldiers who distinguish themselves in the field. This is as it should be. Enough sons of their fathers have been taken care of. It is time to give thought to the real soldiers.

The collapse of the wheat deal and the resulting tumble in prices is rather embarrassing to those thick and thin Republican papers which argued that natural causes, trade conditions and market manipulations had nothing to do with the phenomenal rise in wheat prices, but that the advance was due to the beneficent workings of the tariff that Dingley made.

Secretary Long is of the opinion that this will be the most important month of the year. There is to be no delay, and as soon as General Shafter's troops can be landed an attack is to be made on Santiago by both land and sea, and it is confidently expected that the city will be quickly taken and Cervera's fleet destroyed. A large insurgent force is expected to assist in keeping the Spaniards from making an attack while a landing is being made, and to co-operate with our troops in their attack.

"One of the biggest Republican leaders in the State," is quoted by the World as saying that Platt's first choice for Governor is General Tracy, but he dare not nominate him, for he believes he would carry the party down to certain defeat. His second choice is B. B. Odell, of Newburgh, who wants the nomination badly, but who is not strong enough in the State to make his selection expedient. It is predicted, therefore, that Platt's third choice will be nominated, Congressman H. C. Brewster, of Rochester, who is a strong man and rich enough to make a big campaign contribution.

BRIEF HISTORY OF THE WAR.
From the Albany Argus.

The progress of the war is thus briefly stated: War was declared by Spain on April 21. The next day Havana was actually blockaded. Immediately upon the declaration of war President McKinley, by cable, directed Commodore Dewey to find the Spanish Asiatic Squadron and either capture or destroy it. Dewey did the latter on May 1, or just ten days after war was declared. On May 4, thirteen days after the declaration of war, Admiral Sampson's Squadron sailed from Key West, and on May 12 bombarded San Juan, Porto Rico. On May 13 a second Squadron, under Captain Schley, left Hampton Roads, and on May 29 he had bottled up the chief Spanish Squadron in Santiago harbor, and at the present time the city of Santiago and the disabled fleet—its usefulness hopelessly destroyed—is being besieged by our fleet and army. Our navy has so far equalled the highest expectations, now the time has come for the army to show what it can do.

Ran Over by a Loaded Wagon.
Ira Ketcham, who was driving a team drawing a load of lumber, this morning, for Horton & Waldorf, fell in front of the wheels and one of them passed over his legs and shoulder. It was at first thought his leg was broken, but now it is believed that he is only suffering from shock and bruises.

FREE AND INDEPENDENT

Philippine Insurgents Formally
Throw Off the Spanish Yoke.

WON'T EXCHANGE HOBSON.

Blanco Says, "Take Havana If
You Want Him."

Insurgents Will Oppose an American
Protectorate or Occupation—More
Triumphs of the Insurgents.

CHICAGO, June 20.—A special cable, today, to the Record from John McCutcheon, staff correspondent with Dewey's fleet, reads as follows:

HONG KONG, June 20.—General Fillipino officially proclaimed a provisional government in Old Cavite, June 12. There were great ceremonies and a declaration of independence was read renouncing Spanish authority. General Aguinaldo was elected President and Daniel Perindo Vice President.

The insurgent government will oppose an American protectorate or occupation. The rebels have captured the Spanish Governor and garrison of 300 men at Bulacan. The Governor and garrison at Pampanga are surrounded, and the Governor and garrison of 450 men have been captured at Battagias. On June 9th, the family of Governor General Augusti fled to the interior for safety. The Spaniards in Manila are reported as having shot 300 carbineros for attempting to desert to the rebels. Aguinaldo has sent an ultimatum to the Governor that if more were executed he would retaliate on Spanish prisoners.

The Baltimore sailed, today, to meet the Charleston and the troops. The French warship, Pascal, arrived June 15th and the German warship, Kaiser, is expected daily.

MUST CAPTURE HAVANA TO GET
HOBSON.

Key West, June 20.—Gen. Blanco has notified the blockading fleet that hereafter he will recognize no flag of truce. He says we will have to capture Havana before getting Hobson.

STATE PAYMASTER AT CAMP THOMAS

Will Pay the Four New York Regiments
as soon as Rolls Can Be Got in Shape.

CHICKAMAUGA, June 20.—The most important happening of to-day at Camp Thomas was the arrival of Gen. Healy and staff, of New York, to pay the troops of that State for the time they were in service before being mustered in as United States volunteers. Gen. Healy, chief paymaster, has long been expected and anxiously awaited by New Yorkers, and his arrival was the signal for unbounded enthusiasm.

As soon as the pay rolls can be put in shape all four of the New York regiments will be paid. The first to be paid will be the 8th Infantry.

Col. Henry V. Sackett, of Governor Black's staff, arrived, yesterday, and spent the greater part of the day with Col. Chauncey arranging the pay roll of the 8th. The total amount to be paid New Yorkers will approximate \$150,000.

IS SPAIN SEEKING PEACE?

MADRID, June 20.—The Herald prints an interview with the Minister of Foreign Affairs in which the Minister allowed it to be understood that negotiations for peace are proceeding, but denied that the powers had intervened.

He added that there were no Quixotes nowadays even in Spain, and that the idea of German interference in the Philippines was fallacious, since Germany would not risk war with so powerful a nation as the United States for the sake of helping a wee one like Spain.

SPAIN'S TERMS OF PEACE.

MADRID, June 20.—Newspapers say the cabinet, yesterday, discussed peace tendencies observable in the United States and in certain personages in Spain. But these newspapers assert that Spain will unanimously repudiate all unworthy conditions, adding that peace is only possible if conditions are honorable, which must include retention of her colonies.

SEVENTH WANTS TO VOLUNTEER

ALBANY, June 20.—Col. Daniel Appleton, Lieut. Col. Kipp and Capt. Lydecker, of the 7th Regiment, spent some time today in conference with Adj. Gen. Tillinghast. They again urged that their regiment be given an opportunity to volunteer as one of the regiments of infantry which this state is to furnish as part of its quota under the second call.

WILL ATTACK MORRO CASTLE.

OF SANTIAGO, June 20.—Admiral Sampson feels himself free to attack Morro Castle being credibly informed that Hobson and his crew are no longer confined there and so he will attack Morro Castle with the dynamite guns of Vesuvius and warships' batteries.

DISPATCHES FROM THE INSURGENTS

Key West, June 20.—A vessel arrived from blockade this morning and reported all quiet all along the line. She brought an officer of the Cuban army and a pilot who are carrying important dispatches to General Estrada Palma, of the Cuban Junta, from General Alejandro Polanco, an insurgent commander.

SPANISH CABINET HARMONIOUS.
MADRID, June 20.—Ministers deny renewed rumors of Cabinet dissension and the reported resignation of the Minister of Finance.

It is understood there will be no changes in the Ministry until the corps expends its sittings. In the meanwhile the Cabinet will refuse to enter into any discussion of the international situation as being likely to impair the Government's liberty of action.

THE POPE NOT SERIOUSLY ILL.

ROME, June 20.—In view of erroneous reports in circulation, La Poce, the Pope's physician says: Owing to a slight attack of rheumatism I advised the Pope to remain in his room, yesterday, but, today, His Holiness is holding his usual audiences.

MILITARY SUPPLIES FOR SPAIN.

LONDON, June 20.—A special dispatch from Paris says an Austrian agent has returned from Madrid, where he delivered to the Spanish authorities 3,000,000 empty cartridges and 120 tons of explosives, derived from French, Austrian and Belgian sources.

WILL ASK FOREIGN HELP.

MADRID, June 20.—The belief is expressed in government circles that Captain General Augusti will ask foreign warships to land detachments to occupy Manila on the ground that he is no longer able to resist the insurgents.

HYMENEAL.

Walker-Kirk.

John J. Walker, of Stapleton, Staten Island, and Miss Eliza J. Kirk were united in marriage at St. Joseph's Church at 7:30, this morning, by Rev. Father McManey. They were attended by Miss Letitia Kirk, sister of the bride and William Clifford.

The bride was prettily attired in brown cloth with hat to match, and carried a bouquet of flowers.

Mrs. and Mr. Walker left town for New York, and will visit Atlantic City and Albany before returning. On their return they will reside at Stapleton, where the groom is employed. They were accompanied to New York by the bridesmaid and bridegroom. The bride is a daughter of John Kirk, No. 36 Houston avenue, and for a number of years has conducted a dressmaking establishment on North street, over J. D. Kernochan's.

The couple were the recipients of a number of valuable presents.

Home from Fort Hamilton.

Privates Christie Walters, Daniel Veber, W. I. French, A. R. Skinner and Luther Vail, of Co. I, 1st Regiment, were in town for a few hours, Saturday.

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NEW YORK, June 20, '08.	Yesterday	To-day
Sugar.....	131 1/2	132 1/2
Tobacco.....	118 1/4	118 1/4
Chicago Gas.....	9 1/2	9 1/2
Star Line.....	37 1/2	37 1/2
General Electric.....	65 1/2	66
U. S. L. pref.....	23 1/2	24
Tenn. Coal and Iron.....	12 1/2	13
A. T. & S. F.....	104	104 1/2
C. B. & Q.....	98 1/2	99 1/2
C. M. & St. P.....	106 1/2	106 1/2
R. I.....	94 1/2	94 1/2
D. L. & W.....	10 1/2	10 1/2
C. of N. J.....	10 1/2	10 1/2
Erie.....	10 1/2	10 1/2
O. & N. Y.....	15	15
O. & W.....	15	15
Quebecana & Western.....	19 1/2	19
Quebecana & West. pref.....	124 1/2	125 1/2
P. & E.....	116 1/2	116 1/2
N. Y. C.....	84 1/2	84 1/2
M. F.....	34 1/2	34 1/2
Texas.....	23 1/2	23 1/2
U. P.....	91 1/2	91 1/2
W. Union.....	62	62 1/2
L. & N.....	104 1/2	104 1/2
Manhattan.....	29	29
P. M.....	19 1/2	19
Wabash, pref.....	65	65 1/2
No. Pacific, pref.....	361	362 1/2
Metropolitan Traction.....	50 1/2	50 1/2
Brooklyn Rapid Transit.....	29 1/2	29 1/2
Southern, pref.....	72 1/2	72
July Wheat.....	32 1/2	32 1/2
July Corn.....	23 1/2	24 1/2
July Oats.....	\$9 55	\$9 50
July Pork.....	5 72	5 80
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5.00 Suits reduced to	4.00

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LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Remember that the third page of this paper contains good local matter, to-day.

—There will be a special meeting of the Common Council, to-night.

—Song recital at Second Presbyterian Church, to-morrow evening.

—Patrolman Isaac W. Decker, of the New York police force, spent Sunday in town.

—Strawberry and ice cream festival at First Baptist Church, to-morrow evening, for the benefit of organ fund. It

—Sunday's showers interfered with the plans of many wheelmen who had arranged for long rides in different directions.

—There were two Shohola trains, Sunday, one of nine and one of seven cars. One returned as a section to No. 2 and another followed No. 8.

—Capt. Sheehan, of the Fifth Company, arrived in Newburgh, Sunday night, to recruit the twenty-five men needed to fill the ranks of the company.

—The song recital at the Second Presbyterian Church, to-morrow evening, will be a musical event of rare interest. A fine entertainment is assured.

—The heavy shower of Sunday afternoon flooded King street from curb to curb, the man holes at Centre street being unable to carry off the water.

—All members of Capt. Jackson Woman's Relief Corps are earnestly requested to be present at the meeting, Tuesday evening. Business of importance is to be transacted.

—Hurlerville will celebrate July 4 by races and other sports and an address by C. V. R. Ludington, of Monticello. The O. and W. will sell excursion tickets from here for \$1.25.

—The hard showers of Sunday gave the streets a thorough washing. The rain did more in a few minutes than the street force with their scrapers could have done in a week.

—Denton H. Hopkins, the Newburgh man who shot and badly wounded a tramp, who was prowling about his premises, has been released in \$1,000 bail, furnished by his wife.

—The Ontario and Western has published a very attractive and handsomely illustrated pamphlet, "A Summer Day Outing," to advertise Sylvan Beach, a popular resort on Oneida Lake.

—The Banquet Committee of the class of '98, M. H. S., request that all acceptance or regrets on account of the banquet be sent to the secretary, Miss Blanche O'Neill, not later than to-night, so that final arrangements can be made.

—The business meeting of the Jr. Y. P. C. U. of Christ Church will be held at Katherine Goff's, 16 Benton avenue, Wednesday evening, at 7:30 o'clock. All juniors are requested to be present as business of importance is to be transacted.

—The song recital of Mrs. St. John and her pupils at the Second Presbyterian Church, to-morrow evening, is given under the auspices of the Heart to Heart Circle of King's Daughters. A varied and interesting programme will be rendered.

—Miss Lallah St. John returned home Friday evening from New York city, having completed a three months' course of violin study with Prof. Carlo Hasselbrink, a noted violinist and leader of the Metropolitan Orchestra. Miss St. John is now a very proficient performer on the instrument, and her many friends are anticipating much pleasure from hearing her play. —Port Jervis Gazette.

PERSONAL.

—Mrs. S. H. Bodine is seriously ill with cancer.

—Mrs. H. B. Kingsland returned to this city, to-day.

—John Bodie, of Port Jervis, was in this city, yesterday.

—Mrs. Kate Smith, of Kingston, spent Sunday with friends in this city.

—Andrew Zanelli, formerly of this city, and now of Warwick, is in town, to-day.

—Henry M. Murray, of Brooklyn, was in town, Sunday, visiting relatives and friends.

—James Gray, a photographer of Paterson, is visiting his brother, Joseph Gray, of the State Hospital.

—Miss Hinde, of New York city, who has been the guest of Miss Genevieve Ogden, returned to New York, to-day.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. C. F. Bastian and R. Forthofer went to Port Jervis, to-day, to attend Jacob Kadel's funeral.

—D. Hastings Canfield, of Lehigh University, has gone to Shenectady to attend the Union College commencement.

—Robert Hare, William Hornbeck and Edward McWade, of Port Jervis, were in town, Sunday, and attended the Odd Fellows' memorial services.

—Miss Eloise Harding is expected to arrive here, to-day. Since leaving Cornell, a week ago, she has been visiting at Fremont Centre and Narrowsburg.

—Dr. Lawrence Diester and Howard Barnes went to City Island, to-day. After a few days visit there they will return to Livingston Manor, where they will spend the summer.

—Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Fouquet, who have been visiting at Fishkill, left, to-day, for Pittsford, Mass. Mrs. A. E.

Nickerson, who has been spending a few days with them at Fishkill, returned home, to-day.

—John J. Maybee, of Rockland, is in town, to-day, in the interest of his acetylene gas machines.

—Gregory Martin, the son of James G. Martin, who was made totally blind by an accident at his father's foundry is home for the summer vacation. While at the institution for the blind he learned to tune pianos and to put cane seats in chairs and will be glad to receive any orders for work of this kind.

A FATAL ROAD ACCIDENT.

Mrs. Lewis Jumped from a Wagon While a Horse Was Running Away and Received a Fatal Injury.
From Our Otisville Correspondent.

An accident, which resulted in the death of Mrs. Lewis, a married daughter of John Dodd, occurred, Saturday. With her husband and baby she was on her way to Otisville in a wagon driven by Ed. Dodd. They feared they would be late for the milk train and were driving quite rapidly when a line broke and the horse started to run.

Mr. Dodd jumped from the wagon hoping to catch the horse, but his foot caught in the wheel and he was thrown to the ground. Mrs. Lewis also jumped out with her child in her arms and fell heavily. Mr. Lewis then climbed over the dashboard on the horse's back and succeeded in bringing it to a standstill.

Mrs. Lewis was carried into the house of ex-Supervisor Harding, near which the accident happened. She died in about two hours.

She leaves a husband and three small children. They came from Jersey City on Thursday for a pleasant visit with friends here. Much sympathy is expressed by the community for the friends so suddenly bereaved.

The funeral will be held at the home of her father, Tuesday afternoon.

A later report states that Mrs. Lewis struck on the side of her head in falling, fracturing her skull. Her baby was uninjured.

The deceased lived on Railroad avenue, Jersey City.

She is survived by the following brothers and sisters:

Mary, wife of Andrew Mitchell; Jane and Annie, of Otisville; William T. Dodd, of this city; John, of Mount Hope; Samuel and Edward, of Otisville, and Harry, of Paterson. She leaves three children: John, Edward and the baby, whose escape was so miraculous.

ODD FELLOWS' MEMORIAL DAY.

Appropriately Observed by Middletown Lodge—Exercises in the Lodge Rooms.
Middletown Lodge, No. 112, I. O. O. F., celebrated Memorial Sunday, yesterday in its rooms. It had been intended to hold the exercises in Hildeide Cemetery, but owing to the rain of the morning and the consequent soaked condition of the ground, it was concluded not to go there. About one thousand people went to the cemetery, however, and were greatly disappointed.

There was a large attendance at the commodious lodge rooms, and Rev. George C. Betts, of Goshen, gave a very appropriate and well delivered address.

The decorating committee placed floral tributes on the graves of Odd Fellows in Hildeide, Sunday morning.

The general committees consisted of E. B. Quick, Oscar Murray, T. A. March, Fred Parsells, J. A. Ketchum.

Decorating Committee—E. H. Townsend, D. A. Taylor, George H. Swalm, J. J. Chambers, Walter Funnell, J. J. Wood and Joshua Hirst.

Committee on Music—C. H. Brown, W. W. Clark.

CLASS DAY EXERCISES.

To Be Held at the High School, To-morrow Afternoon.

The class of '98 will close its class day exercises, to-morrow afternoon. The programme will be as follows:

1. President's Address—Irving Crawford Bol
2. Salutatory (Greek)—Theodore Lion Denton
3. Class History—Ella Rosemond Macy
4. Class Statistics—Mary Wallace
5. Piano Solo (air de Bellini)—Harriet Hanson Hirst
6. Address to Juniors—Harry Tryon Crist
7. Declaration—"Reply to Seniors"—Adah G. dner
8. Class Poem—Prof. William A. Wilson
9. Address—Prof. William A. Wilson
10. Piano Duet—"Overture from Lutelet"—Mrs. Wallace, Lonnie Powelson
11. Class Prophecy—Harvey Seymour Dewitt
12. Prophecy on Prophet—Nelle Powelson
13. Vocal Solo—"Angus MacDonald"—Corrie A. Marvin
14. "Rosetta"—Reve A. Elk
15. Valedictory—Frances B. Book
16. Class Song—Class '98.

New Orange County Telephone.

The following new subscribers have been connected with the Orange County Telephone Company, during the past week:

- 321—Geo. A. O'Neal, residence, 33 Linden avenue.
- 148—Orange County Brewing Co., Lake avenue.
- 324—Geo. A. Waldorf, residence, 58 Grand avenue.
- 325—Robert Lawrence, residence, 24 Myrtle avenue.
- 327—John H. Gavin, residence, 7 Hanford street.
- 328—Chas. H. Wright, residence, 8 Liberty street.
- 329—Jas. F. Moore, residence, Highland avenue.
- 335—Theo. Dugdale, market, 76 West Main street.

The O. and W.'s Earnings.

The Ontario and Western reports for the second week of June earnings of \$70,137, a decrease of \$5,476 from the corresponding week last year, and of \$12,216 from 1896. The earnings from Jan. 1st are \$1,554,322, a decrease of \$8,307 from last year.

DAVID'S WHICH CHANGES SALT
From Port Jervis, N.Y.

OBITUARY.

L. Victor Hunt.

L. Victor Hunt, son of the late Dr. Isaac S. Hunt, of Port Jervis, died at the home of his mother in that village, Saturday, of heart disease, aged forty-six years.

He was at one time in the shoe business in Port Jervis, and later was in the employ of the Erie at that station, Hawley and Honesdale until failing health made it necessary for him to retire from active life.

He is survived by his mother and three sisters.

Horace McBride.

Horace McBride, a former well known resident of the town of Walkkill, near Mount Hope, is dead at Norfolk, Neb., of apoplexy. He was stricken, Saturday night, and failed to recover. The deceased was fifty-five years old. He was a son of the late John McBride, and his mother's maiden name was Cox.

He is survived by his wife, who was Helen, daughter of S. S. Mapes, of Howells, and three children: Willie McBride, of Madison, Neb., Clara, wife of C. H. Reynolds, and Annie, of Norfolk. Surviving him, also, is one sister, Mrs. Asa Mapes, of Howells.

The deceased was once assessor of the town of Walkkill, and he was prominent in agricultural circles here. Since removing to Nebraska, eight years ago, he has been in the real estate and insurance business.

FUNERAL OF PATRICK MONAGHAN

Requiem High Mass Celebrated in St. Mary's Church, Port Jervis and in a Church in Buffalo.

The funeral of Patrick Monaghan, who was drowned, Tuesday evening, while bathing in the canal, near Denton, was held in St. Mary's Church, Port Jervis, Saturday and was very largely attended. Requiem high mass was celebrated. Requiem high mass was also celebrated in a Buffalo church, at the same time, by Father Baker, a friend of the family, who had been notified of the young man's death.

The deceased was a very worthy young man and will be deeply mourned by a large circle of friends. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Bridget Monaghan, of the town of Goshen, and by five brothers and one sister: Michael, of Greenville; Martin, of Wawayanda; John, of New York city; James and Hugh, of the town of Goshen, and Mrs. Hendrickson, of New York. His father died about ten years ago and a sister five years ago.

The deceased was born in Ireland, twenty-six years ago and came to this country thirteen years ago, May 27.

Refused to Release Investment Agent Robinson.

W. J. Robinson, the investment agent who was held for the Grand Jury on a charge of stealing a \$2,700 check from the Hudson River Paint Works, Newburgh, was brought before Judge Hirschberg, Saturday, on a writ of habeas corpus obtained by his counsel, Celeb Birch, Jr. Judge Hirschberg refused to release the prisoner and he was returned to jail.

Annual Sermon to Monaghan Hose Co.

Monaghan Hose Company, thirty-five strong, heard the annual sermon by their chaplain, Rev. Dr. W. A. Robinson, at the First Congregational Church, Sunday night. The company occupied seats in the front and centre of the church and listened intently to an instructive and able address.

A Lieutenant in the U. S. Regular Army.

Lieutenant Stephen H. Mould, of the Tenth Separate Company, of Newburgh, has been nominated for a second lieutenant in the regular army of the United States. Evidently a case of Ben Odell's pull.

Omaha Exposition stamps.

Postmaster Dayton has received a supply of the Omaha exposition stamps, which, like the Columbian exhibition stamps, have, instead of heads, allegorical or historical pictures.

Mary Powell Excursion.

The next Mary Powell excursion will be run by the Ontario and Western, on Tuesday, June 28th, at the popular price of \$1 for the round trip. Train will leave Middletown at 7 a. m. Wait for it. tdj

Handsome Graduation Gifts.

Miss Blanche O'Neill and the Misses Powelson, of the Middletown High School class of '98, are wearing diamond rings, which they received as graduation gifts.

Obituary Notes.

—Mrs. Frances Sturr died at 3.15, this afternoon, at No. 3 Spring street.

—Levi Van Ethen, a well known farmer of Sandyston township, N. J., died, Friday morning, after suffering untold agonies for over twenty years from a cancer on his face. He was sixty-one years old. He served during the war in Co. I, 15th N. J. V.

—John White, a tanner, who at one time worked in this city, died in Scranton, June 13, aged eighty-one years. He was born in Ireland, and came to this country in 1837.

THE MODERN BEAUTY.

Thrives on good food and sunshine, with plenty of exercise in the open air. Her form glows with health and her face blooms with its beauty. If her system needs the cleansing action of a laxative remedy, she uses the gentle and pleasant Syrup of Figs, made by the California Fig Syrup Co., only.

AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN TOWN.

Gave the Wood Stealer Things in the Laundry Line—A Bicycle Stolen—Robert Golet Gives a Cup for the Fourth of July Race—Foster McCorry at St. John's—Vined SS.
From Our Regular Correspondent.

—On a number of occasions recently a quantity of firewood has been found missing at the Goshen hand laundry. The other day George Millsbaugh caught, red-handed, the robber, who was one of Goshen's worthless characters. He promptly collared him with one hand, cuffed him with the other and at the same time "socked him" a couple elsewhere. Mr. Millsbaugh naturally did all these things with dexterity, as collars and cuffs and socks are things that enter largely into his business. Since that occasion the woodpile reposes unmolested.

—Thomas Myers left his bicycle in front of the residence of George Space, on John street, on Saturday night, while he called for a moment on Mr. Space. Upon his departure he discovered that his bicycle had disappeared and since that time its whereabouts is a mystery.

—President Hook has on exhibition at the St. Elmo a handsome silver cup from Tiffany's, the gift of Robert Golet to the winner of the 2:25 class at the Fourth of July races. Mr. Golet was at Goshen, the other day, and so pleased was he at the condition and management of affairs at the Goshen race track that he has given the cup in evidence of his appreciation. It is handsomely finished and engraved and valued at \$100.

—Rev. P. E. McCorry preached at St. John's Church, yesterday, after an absence of several months spent in foreign travel. A large congregation was present to greet the popular pastor.

—Howard Witzel, colored, was arrested, Saturday night, for being drunk and disorderly and was fined \$5 by Judge Swezey, this morning.

Hospital Sunday Collections.

The collections for Thrall Hospital were not taken up in several of the churches, Sunday, owing to the slim attendance in some cases, and for other reasons.

At St. Paul's the amount received was \$82.48.

At the First Baptist Church the collection taken was small, owing to the size of the congregation on a rainy Sunday, and a committee was appointed to call on those who were not there.

Police Court.

—George Williams and David Warner became involved in a quarrel as to which could carry the most in a hod, a week's wages to be the stake. The police intervened and they were locked up. Warner got out on bonds Sunday morning. This morning both pleaded guilty, and Williams was fined \$3 and Warner \$5, which they paid.

The victory rests with America's Greatest Medicine, Hood's Sarsaparilla, when it enters the battle against impure blood.

"Catarrh"

was my great affliction for a number of years. Doctors did not help me. By a friend's advice I began using your medicines, and was perfectly cured after taking three bottles of

Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

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Here are Some Business Straws, and the wise buyer, who wants to make \$1 count for \$2, will follow their direction right into our store.

First Straw—All goods at or below cost.

Second Straw—Cromwell & Eighthie Shirts, laundered, 85c.; unlaundered, 75c. 75c unlaundered goods for 55c. 75c laundered goods for 55c.

Third Straw—All Wool Underwear, elegant goods, well worth \$1.25, for 85c.

Fourth Straw—Gentlemen's Neckwear as low as two for 5 cents.

Fifth Straw—\$12 to \$15 Suits marked down to \$5. Remember this straw.

Sixth Straw—A first-class Straw Hat, well worth \$1., for 25c. Remember that straw.

Seventh Straw—Custom Suits and Odd Pants for about cost of goods, not to mention the cost of making them.

We are rushed from morning till night, but come right along friends.

George W. Young, 16-18 East Main St.
NEWSPAPER ARCHIVE

THE BACCALAUREATE SERMON.

The Middletown High School's Graduation Class at St. Paul's Church—Rev. Mr. Wilson's Fine Address—Words of Gladly Counsel and Wisdom.

The class of '98, Middletown High School, and the members of the Board of Education, met at the Board's rooms on North street, Sunday morning, and, the class having donned caps and gowns, went in a body to St. Paul's Church to listen to the baccalaureate sermon by Rev. Dr. Wilson.

Seats had been reserved for them, and the pulpit and altar were prettily decorated with potted plants and blooming flowers. An evergreen arch in front of the pulpit bore in white flowers the class motto: "Mens Agitat Molem," which translated means: "Mind Controls Matter."

On the second bar of the arch beneath the motto were the words in red flowers: "Welcome, Class of '98."

Dr. Wilson took as his text John x: 10, "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." The first part of the sermon was an exposition of the necessity of receiving Christ that life may be at its best, "clothed with power and by the divine endowment of wisdom, love, daring and might we may become a match for the sterner conflicts that are already challenging us to contest and equal to the burning problems which it is appointed for the servants of the Most High to solve."

Turning to the graduating class, whom he addressed as "My dear young friends," Dr. Wilson said:

You have reached an interesting event in the brief journey of the years. With some, no doubt, the close of school days has been looked forward to with keen and pleasurable anticipation. To others of your number it has no other significance than affording a breathing spell in the preparation and more arduous toil. I trust it will be with some, if not all, the beginning of advanced educational work that will fit you for exalted ministries and conspicuous positions in life.

I think you are all to be congratulated, for you have finished your course with credit and enjoy a favored place in the esteem and friendship of your instructors. If some have done better than others, let us be charitable enough to believe that their opportunities or at least their abilities have favored them. I doubt not each one of you has been faithful and painstaking.

We cannot tell what the future will bring. But just as you are graduating from the Middletown High School, with years and opportunities ahead of you, I come with the message of the text. The sermon you may not remember, that is of little moment, but the text I wish you never to forget. Remember it in the glow of life's morning, and when the shadows gather in the evening of age, it will be as a well-spring of delight. It is an inspiring and suggestive thought which this word of God brings to us.

I can think of nothing more important than life in the Son of God. Your influence for good or evil will depend upon the quality and quantity of life you possess. What you are, rather than what you say or do, is to determine the measure of your power in the world. Personality is an undeniable thing. It is never duplicated, always original and unique as it comes from the Creator's hand. But like all life, its growth and development is more or less dependent upon conditions. The food it feeds upon, the atmosphere it breathes, the words it speaks, the thoughts it thinks, the deeds it performs all act and react upon its life.

Deeds do not constitute personality, but at the same time, a thoughtless, wordless, deedless personality does not exist. The occult, subtle, mysterious principle that we have come to call life, is what is going to influence the world. You work is not yourself, but it represents you, it is a witness for you. The world will very largely judge you by your work. You will always be able in your own mind to separate yourself from your work. The world may not and herein lies an injustice. But certainly God who knows the heart and discerns the thought, knows both the worker and his work, and will reward the faithful accordingly.

My object in saying this is to have you think more about me than the issues of life, more about the inner self—the ego, the mountain of thought, feeling, desire and will, than to be concerned about the mere outcome. The world is always judging men by what they do, and this is a hard, common sense, and, for the most part, correct way of looking at things from a human standpoint, but it is better, if possible, to judge men by what they are. This is certainly the divine standard. Hence the importance of emphasizing being rather than doing. Hence the importance of being filled with the right kind of life, which is not found in crowd, tradition or form, but in Christ himself. I covet large things for you. I am deeply conscious that you make the best of the heritage God has given you. Your strength, your fidelity, your purity, the many excellent qualities that commend and endear you are your investment that will assuredly make for larger usefulness here and hereafter. I covet then your powers and opportunities for the Master.

But I need scarce remind you that this spiritual life, like every form of intellectual and animal life, has its foes and hindrances. I cannot outline them. They are in the air, in the spirit of the age, which shows a disposition to leave the old ways in which our fathers and mothers trod for new and untrodden paths, blazed by religious adventurers, sanctioned by temporizing expediency and endorsed by a lax ethical notion that, like the robber, seeks to enter into line by some other way than that of repentance toward God and faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. Beware of drifting, be on your guard against sickness of mind, God and His truth abideth forever.

Remember also, my young friends, that you have a hard fight before you if you seek to attain mastery in any direction. We would as have it otherwise. The obstructions in your way are a wisely ordered part of the dispensation under which we are placed. All true work involves at some point or other, both a struggle with ourselves and with that which is external to ourselves. Some one has said that the winds and the storms

A LIVING WITNESS.

Mrs. Hoffman Describes How She Wrote to Mrs. Pinkham for Advice, and Is Now Well.

DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—Before using your Vegetable Compound I was a great sufferer. I have been sick for months, was troubled with severe pain in both sides of abdomen, sore feeling in lower part of bowels, also suffered



with dizziness, headache, and could not sleep. I wrote you a letter describing my case and asking your advice. You replied telling me just what to do. I followed your directions, and cannot praise your medicine enough for what it has done for me. Many thanks to you for your advice. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has cured me, and I will recommend it to my friends.—Mrs. FLORENCE R. HOFFMAN, 512 Roland St., Canton, O.

The condition described by Mrs. Hoffman will appeal to many women, yet lots of sick women struggle on with their daily tasks disregarding the urgent warnings until overtaken by actual collapse.

The present Mrs. Pinkham's experience in treating female ills is unparalleled, for years she worked side by side with Mrs. Lydia E. Pinkham, and for sometimes past has had sole charge of the correspondence department of her great business, treating by letter as many as a hundred thousand ailing women during a single year.

After all are more skilled in hero making than the flowers and the sunshine. The tropics have never yet cradled a great and conquering race. Where nature yields everything without the importunity of toil and hardship, vigorous mentality and robust manhood are precursors, if not unknown quantities. So cautious, if not unknown quantities do not recoil from the tremendous tasks of life that are all strain and sweat and struggle. It is a divine order and God's blessing hides there. For the drone and the idler there is no alternative but poverty with all its baleful connections.

Jesus Christ has come to bring you life. But, as I have already stated, there are diverse forms of life. You have in the twenty-eight members of your graduating class possibly every form and type of mentality and temperament. This is as it should be. Each one of you has a mission in this world that cannot be done by another. If you neglect it, it remains forever undone. Yours is a separate and distinct line to do a separate and distinct work. But all life is to be possessed in God. Then yield yourself to Him.

Be natural. Be yourself, big or little, stupid or bright, but be yourself striving for mastery. Don't attempt poetry, when God meant you should write prose; do not soar to the skies, when God intended that you should do picket duty on earth. Waste no time in seeking to be or do what God Almighty never intended you to be or do. Simply improve upon your endowment. The world is full of misfits and incompetents. If it be your lot in life to be a hewer of wood and a drawer of water, then honor your calling to the measure of your ability. You will serve yourself, society and the world at large by being yourself as God named and fashioned you, much better than by seeking to simulate another.

There is a man in New York, whose name I will not mention, who advertises a cure for facial disfigurements. If you have a long nose, he can shorten it; if you have a stub nose, he can sharpen it; if you have a hook nose, he can conform it to the Grecian or Roman models. Do not believe it; that is nothing but quackery, not surgery. The operation may, to use the language of a medical practitioner, "be a brilliant success," but the patient dies just the same. God does not like His work interfered with. If nature worked a failure in making you handsome, make the most of what you are and be thankful that you are not as badly off as some others in the world. If you are not so magnificently endowed as others, no matter. That is God's business, not yours. Others have had better opportunities which you have been denied. God knows that. Be true to thine own self. Fill the niche in the temple for which God intended you. Lead a conscientious, honest life, free from subterfuge and sham, free from guile and guilt of sin. Be honest, be earnest, be abundantly enthusiastic, have the fiery zeal of Jehu rather than not drive at all. Above all, let the Divine One into the innermost chamber of your affection, give him your secrets and love, yes, your very life, and the music of the heavenly world will serenade your spirit in the dark and troublous days, as with a brave heart you do with your might what your hands find to do. I have much else to say, but here I close. God bless you, each of you, all of you, this day and forever.

Erie's Dollar Excursion to New York on July 4.

On Monday, July 4th, the Erie will sell excursion tickets to New York at rate of \$1, tickets good going on special train leaving James street station at 7:54 a. m., Main street 7:56 a. m. Returning on special train leaving Jersey City at 8 p. m. Go to the base ball games both morning and afternoon at the Polo Grounds, New York, between the New York and Boston clubs, or spend the day at the seashore. 79412t

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HOOD'S PILLS cure sick headache, nausea, biliousness and all liver ills. Price 25 cents.

A PROPHECIC NAME.

The Curious Prediction Made in the Naming of Lake Pontchartrain Has Been Fulfilled.

The name of Lake Pontchartrain bears in it a curious prediction, as it were, of what should be witnessed on it at the present day, almost exactly 200 years after Iberville named it, says the New Orleans Picayune. Count Pontchartrain and Count de Maurepas were two ministers of Louis XIV., under whose auspices Iberville and Bienville sailed from La Rochelle, in France, in 1682, to establish the first colony in Louisiana, and Iberville, in honor of these patrons of his enterprise, named Lakes Maurepas and Pontchartrain. Pontchartrain is a combination of three distinct French words, viz: Pont, meaning "bridge," char, meaning "car," and train, meaning "train." The prediction in the name lies in the fact that at present, in a single glance, one may see on Lake Pontchartrain, where the North-eastern railroad crosses it, a "pont" (bridge), a "char" (car), and a "train" (train), thus interpreting the prediction name of Lake Pontchartrain into Lake with a bridge, a car and a train of cars. Equally noteworthy is it that the word Pontchartrain, as here elucidated, contains a very clear prediction of the discovery of steam power, the invention of the steam engine, and the utilization of the locomotive and the steam railroad train as a means of transporting freight and passengers in the day of enlightenment of the nineteenth century. In fact in the single word Pontchartrain, as given by Iberville to the Louisiana Interior lake near New Orleans, was involved a prediction, unconsciously proclaimed by Iberville, of "a vision of the future and the world that was to be." The world is crowded with Horatio of the Hamlet variety, whose dim philosophy fails utterly to grasp the innumerable number of things that are in the heavens and upon the earth.

QUEER INSURANCE CASE.

The House Was Set on Fire by the Bathing, and the Bathing by a Poutifice.

"Fire insurance companies have to deal with many queer cases," said a traveling agent of one of the Hartford (Conn.) companies to a Washington Post man. "I have just been told the story of a case that came under the notice of our company not so long ago, and which was certainly one of the strangest fires in history. The story is perfectly true and is vouched for by men of integrity. It was in a western city and the house was set on fire by a bathtub and the bathtub was set on fire by a poutifice. The owner was suffering from a bad cold, it seems, and acting under the doctor's orders his wife prepared a poultice for his chest. When she started to apply it it was found to be too strong, too hot, having been heated in the oven. So the wife took the poultice to the bathroom to cool. She placed it on the tub, which was a very fine affair, being lined with celluloid instead of the customary enamel. Well, the heat of the plaster set the inflammable celluloid on fire and the bathtub was soon a mass of flames. The room caught and the house was partially destroyed, for all of which the company had to pay. Everyone knows how celluloid burns and so the company did not contest the case."

PLAYING MARBLES.

Prospective Sea Gunners Who Wish to Become Proficient Should Indulge in the Game.

If foreign nations would become proficient with the formidable guns of modern warfare Lieut. Wilson recommends to their ministers the introduction of the American and English game of playing marbles. The great projectile throwers and shell distributors are no longer sighted as of old, when the gunners of hostile ships frequently pushed their ramrods into the portholes of the enemy. Hours probably before the eager captains come within range distance the junior officers of the American vessels have figured out the problem which is to direct the men who handle the breech-loaders. The density or rarity of the atmosphere, the prevalence of the wind, the height of the sea, are all taken into consideration. Lieut. Wilson contends that playing marbles steadies the nerves of the prospective naval cadet while he is plodding through the primary grades at school. The sport promotes a spirit of calculable value when hostile fleets are maneuvering for battle.

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H. OUSE, Refrigerator. Is fair order: gas, pneumatic bicycle 98, extension table, 4 feet, 91, at the EXCHANGE AND MART CO., No. 46 East Main street.

G. W. KILLISTON, Surgeon, Reports: All the organs of the body are affected by the use of the 70 Pills of Dr. J. C. Williams, 25c, for one evening and breakfast. Middletown, N. Y.

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GIRL Wanted. Apply at this office.

LARGE Cake of fine Castile Soap, with a Turkish wash rag, 16 c. size. Have sold several gross of this soap, and it gives good satisfaction.

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